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## New York Stock Market

MRW TORK. December 21,-The Rock Island episods in to-day's stock market afforded an opportunity to test the stability of the present speculative position. The resisting power by the market to the alarming intimations carried by the sensational syration of Rock Island stock served as assurance that the present position is not saily vulnerable. In some few stocks, where there has been a persistence in speculative solivity slates the general market has grown quiet, there was a hasty unloading of stocys and a sharp break in prices. The general latt, Rowever, stood up well under the shock, and then railled. Whatever explanation, may lie back of the Rock Island opiseds the movement of the stock was sufficiently extraordinary. A rise of Six points in five minutes in the price of a railroad stock having a substantial volume and a widely disseminated market is a rare occurrence in stock market history. When it is followed in almost as little time by a complete relapse, it may be said to be almost without precedent. The Rock Island movement came like a bolt out of a blue sky. Moreover, it was so quickly past as aimost to leave no time for effect on the general market. Recent heavy seles of calls on the stock by foreign stock operators and the purchase by them, according to their rule, of half the amount required to meet the centract, undoubtedly played a part in the condition which developed this morning. The conviction grew up in the course of the day that a miscarring of the market management of the stock had as much to do as anything with the unedifying spectacle of its performance. That management last how the such according to their market management of the stock had as much to do as anything with the unedifying spectacle of its performance. That management for the usual careful balance of such forces in to-day's market there seemed to have been a reckless or blundering upheaval in one direction without the intended effect on the other side. An error by a subordinate clerk was one specious suggestion for over the su

NEW YORK, December 27.—Money on call rin, 44,65½ per cent.; ruling rate, 5, closing bid. 4½; offered at 5. Time loans quiet not steady; sixty days, 4½,6½, per cent. and ninety days, 6½; six months, 4½,6½ lose: Prime mercantile paper, 5,65½ per cut.; sterling exchange steady, with actual usiness in bankers' bills at 43,842,64,844, and; commercial bills, \$4,834,64,844, Barlver, 52½; Mexican dollars, 44.

#### RICHMOND STOCK MARKET.

Riclimond, Va., December 27, 1909.

GALLES AT BUARD.	
Richmond City 48-3,000 at 1001/2; 5.0	00 n
STATE SECURITIES. Bid. A	sked
North Carolina 4s, C. 1910 9s Virginia 3s, Old, C. and R., 1982 92 Centuries, 2-3, C. and R., 1991 9215	92 92
RAILROAD BONDS.	
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Eo. R. Dev. G. M. 4s A. 1958 81	
STREET RAILWAY BONDS.	
Va. Ry. and Power co. 5s, 1934 90%	911
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RAILROAD STOCKS. Par.	

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Chesapeake and Ohio Nov 100 8614	į
Norfolk and Western com100 98	į
Rich., Fred. and Pot. com100 299	ē
R., F. and P. Div. Oblig100 285	i
Southern Railway pfd100 73	å
Southern Railway com160 3114	•
BANK AND TRUST CO. STOCKS.	
American National100 155	
Broad Street Bank 25 3414	١
Bank of Richmond	i
City 25 841/2	å
First National	ě
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National Bank of Virginia100 185	í
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INSURANCE COMPANIES. MISCELLANEOUS.

Quotations for interest-paying bonds are at a price, to which interest must be added. Income bonds and certificates of indebtedness are flat.

NEW YORK PRODUCE MARKET

NEW YORK PRODUCE MARKET.

NEW YORK, December 71.—FLOUR—Market quiet. Rye Flour, Buckwheat Flour, Cornmeal and Barley—All stendy. Ryequiet. Wheat—Firm; No. 2 red, \$1.27\[\frac{1}{2}\] bid, to arrive. Options were \$4.0\[\frac{1}{2}\] c, not higher. December, \$1.2\[\frac{1}{2}\]; May, \$1.0\[\frac{1}{2}\]; december, \$1.2\[\frac{1}{2}\]; May, \$1.0\[\frac{1}{2}\]; december, \$0.0\[\frac{1}{2}\]; May, \$1.0\[\frac{1}{2}\]; december, domestic: Tie, dolivered, and \$20.\[\frac{1}{2}\]; o, b, afloat, non-inal. Options closed partly \$\frac{1}{2}\]; ent higher. December, \$70.\[\frac{1}{2}\]; May, \$70\[\frac{1}{2}\]; o the higher. December, \$70.\[\frac{1}{2}\]; May, \$70\[\frac{1}{2}\]; o the higher. Beer—Quiet. Lard—Easy. Tallow, Petro-leum, Turpentine and Molasses—Steady, Rosin and Rice—Quiet. Sugar-Raw, non-inal.

mixed, etc.

Beer—Quiet. Lard—Easy. Tallow. Petroleum. Turpentine and Molasses—Steady. Roshing of the Common of th

#### CHICAGO GRAIN MARKET.

CHICAGO, December 27.—Wheat for De-cember delivery advanced 3½c, here to-day owing to a stampede of shorts. Other deliv-cries also made good gains. At the close prices were ½2½c, to 1½c, above the final figures of lest friday. Core and oats closed steady and provisions unsettled. The leading futures ranged as follows: Open. High. Low. Close.

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Open. High Low, Closing. Open. High Low, Closing. Open. High Low, Closing. 1,600 Amer. Agri. Chem. Co., 48% 49% 48 48% 49% 19,200 Int. Metropolitan, pfd. 61 62% 60% 62 62% Allis-Chalmers, pfd. 54% 64% 54% 54% 55 2,510 Int. Mer. Marine, com. 74 75 74 75 74% 200 Allis-Chalmers, pfd. 54% 54% 54% 55 2,510 Int. Mer. Marine, pfd. 24% 24% 24 24% 24% 24% 24% 24% 24% 24%	SALES:	By THOM	i sai	RANCH & Bid, Asked	CO., Bankers and Brokers.		Bid. Asked.
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CLOSING BOND QUOTATIONS

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American Tobacco 4s 7714	Erie conv. 4s, series "A" 814
American Tobacco 88 187	Eric conv. is, series "B"
Atchison conv. 4s 12114	Inter. Merc. Marine 4168 71
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BALTIMORE, MD., December 27.-WHEAT BALTIMORE, MD., December 2., WHEA. Firmer; spot, contract, \$1.22; southern of grade, \$1.140.131½. Corn—Easier; spot, contract, new, \$7c.; southern white, \$144.651½c. southern pellow, \$44.6654;c. Oats—Firm No. 2 white, \$0.60546c. Rye—Steady; No. western, domastic, \$1.685c.

RICHMOND GRAIN MARKET.

| SMOKERS-Common | 7.00 @ 5.50 | Medium | 9.00 @ 11.00 | Fine | 12.00 @ 13.00 | CUTTERS-Common | 13.00 @ 12.50 | Cutters-Common | 13.00 @ 12.50 | Medium | 13.00 @ 14.00 | Fine | 16.00 @ 15.00 | Fine | 16.00 @ 15.00 | The second | 13.00 | Th

MISCELLANEOUS MARKETS.

PEANUT MARKET.
(Réported by Rodgers, McCabe & Co.)
PETERSBURG, VA., Dacember "X.-PEA-NUTS-Spanish.—Market firm at \$1.30 per bushel. Virginias.—Market firm at \$3% 64c, for fancy stock; machine picked, \$65Mc.; shelling stock, 267Mc.

67 67% 66% 69 | LARD-Per 100 | bs | fan | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ..

MARINE INTELLIGENCE.

PORT OF RICHMOND, DEC. 27, 1999.
ARRIVED.
Steamer Berkeley, Shelly, Nortolk, merchandise and passengers, Old Dominion Line.
Steamer Brandon, Harney, Nortolk, merchandise and passengers, Old Dominion Line.
Steamer Pocahontas, Graves, James River and Nortolk, merchandise and passengers, Virginia Navigation Company.
Steamer Aurora, Furman, Patersburg and 

chandlse and passengers, Old Dominion Line.
Steamer Brandon, Harney, Norfolk, merchandlse and passengers, Old Dominion Line.
Steamer Pocahontss, Graves, James River landings and Norfolk, merchandlse and passengers, Virginia Navigation Company.
Steamer Aurora, Furman, Petersburg and James River landings, merchandlse and passengers, Phillips Line.

Treasury Statement. WASHINGTON, D. C., December 27.—The ondition of the Treasury at the beginning f business to-day was as follows:

Trust Funds. General Fund.

Standard silver dollars in general Standard silver quoisis is a second fund \$1,522,122 Current liabilities. 104,622,812 Working balance in Treasury offices 26,499,233 In banks io credit of Treasurer of the United States 77,571,215 Subsidiary silver coin 15,498,157 Minor coin 1,011,721 Total balance in general fund. 62,247,011

### RICHMOND CLOSING PROSPEROUS YEAR

Banks Alone Give Best Possible Evidence That Business Increased, With Comparatively Richmond, Va., December 27, 1900. WHOLESALE QUOTATIONS ON CHANGE. WHEAT—Car lots.

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There are all the positive indications that 1900 has been a prosperous year for Richmond, as well as what might be termed to the negative indication, that is, fewer commercial failures in number and in amount 81 than for some years past. There were thirty-one failures in Richmond and Manscheer for the year 1907, thirty-six for 1908. See there of the year 1907, thirty-six for 1908 and twenty-one for 1909. There were only four failures with liabilities of upwards of 1815, 250,000 as against seven last year. There are 320,000 as against seven last year. There are with liabilities of upwards of 1815, 250,000 as against seven last year. There are years in the items, loans and deposits, but 1909 shows considerably more than the average increase in these items.

Year. Loans. Deposits. Capital. 1909. \$3,455,195 \$33,325,300 \$5,225,750 1907. 22,5475,561 \$2,325,000 \$5,237,500 \$1,257,550 \$2,325,000 \$5,237,500 \$1,257,550 \$2,325,000 \$5,237,500 \$1,257,550 \$2,325,000 \$5,237,500 \$1,257,550 \$2,325,000 \$5,237,500 \$1,257,550 \$2,325,000 \$2,325,000 \$2,325,000 \$2,325,000 \$3,3

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CATTLE MARKETS.

CHICAGO, ILL., December 27.—CATTLE—Year.
Receipts estimated at 15,400 head. Market 102 l5c. higher. Steers, 35475.00; cows, 43.55 0g 1007; c.09; herfers, \$3.5096.00; buils, \$3.409.4.75; ibscalves, \$329.75; stockers and feeders, \$3.75 6g 1506. Hogs-Receipts estimated at 15,000 head. Market 15925c. higher. Choice heavy, \$5.60 1909; \$8.55; choice light, \$8.55; light mixed, \$5.15 190; \$8.55; choice light, \$8.55; plgs, \$7.509.8.10; 1909; \$1.509.8.10; 1900; higher. Sheep, \$6; lambs, \$8.50 9.55; year-lings, \$5.509.7.75.

the Federal fencing laws have caused many ranges in the far West to be | 14.00 | 14.50 | 14.50 | abandoned by cattle and sheep grow| 18.00 | 20.00 | ers. Many of the ranchers have sold |
18.00	20.00	their flocks, and there is a general and
12.00	18.00	growing tendency to shift the growing
18.00	9.00	cattle and sheep on to farms, with
18.00	9.00	a consequent restriction of meat pro

Fine 32.50 @37.55
Fancy 6.00 @ 45.00
in the retail prices of beef, lamb, in the retail prices of beef, found out from many sources that elk will protect themselves and also cattle and sheep from dogs, coyottes and

reference by Rollers McLass 2 Co. PEA. Nutra-Spanish.—Market firm at \$1.30 per bushel. Virginias.—Market firm at \$1.30 per bushel. Virginias.—Market firm at \$4.30 per bushel. Virginias.—Market firm at \$1.30 per bushel. Virginias.

NEW YORK. December 71.—An after-hot. Wolf and coyote menace in the range of like per bushel. Virginias. Virginias. Virginias. Virginias. Virginias.

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NEW YORK. December 71.—An after-hot. Wolf a

a favorite with epicures, and also has a favorite with epicures, and also having a wide use as a substitute for beef and mutton, which it resembles in texture, color and general characteristics. Its flavor is distinctive, though it suggests mutton rather than beef. In chemical composition it is very similar to beef. It contains, when roasted, more protein or nitrogenous material than lean mutton, It is very thoroughly digested, whatever the method of cooking." cooking."

Raising deer for profit, the secretary says, does not necessarily imply their complete domestication. They may be kept in large preserves, with natural surroundings, where their domestication may be entirely ignored.

Thus the breeder may reap nearly all the profits that could be expected from a domestic herd, while the animals escape most of the dangers incident to close captivity. The Rocky Mountain elk and the Virginia deer are especially recommended by the Secretary for deer farming. At present there are large elk herds—30,000 in all—in the Yellowstone National Park and the mountainous country surrounding it.

rounding it.

The elk is both a browsing and grazing animal. Fully 90 per cent. of the female elk everywhere produce healthy young. An adult male elk weighs from 700 to 1,000 pounds; a female from 800 to 800 pounds. The percentage of dressed meat is greater than in cattle, and is often worth 40 cents a pound. As high as \$1.50 a pound has been pald in New York City and Canada. The elk need rough, wooded country, with clear streams. They may be grazed as thickly as eattle. They eat cattle rations in the

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vinter. A five-foot fence will confine hem. As to the Virginia or white-tall deer the secretary says they are splendid for deer farming purposes, as they thrive on land unsuited for cattle or horses, and, like elk, may be raised in great numbers in brushy or timbered pastures, fully stocked with cattle or horses, as the food of deer rarely includes grass. There are 250,000,000 acres of land in the United States suited for raising elk, deer and angora goats. The deer are fond of acorns and chestnuts and beech nuts. In winter they eat all kinds of vegetation, in-cluding lichens and mosses. Corn is a favorite food, winter or summer. They need some shelter in winter in the North.

the North.

Deer farming, properly encouraged, would heat the Beef Trust at its own game, and would give the people a chance at a fine meat at a price cheaper than mutton.

COUNTRY CLUB SECRETARY

NEW YORK, December 27.—Russel B. Geyer was arrested here and to-day held for the authorities of Moore county, N. C., charged with embezzlement of \$688, from the South Pines Country Club, near Raleigh.

Geyer was treasurer of the club, and the alleged offerse was committed more than a year ago. Geyer said he had been in a sanatorium for more than a year, and did not know the police were looking for him. He declared that he had gone through bankruptcy proceedings and helieved that his accounts with everybody were square.



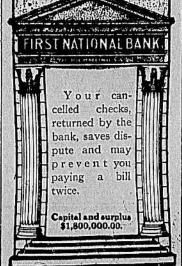
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